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*****NEWS RELEASE*****

April 13, 2018

VPD Report Number: 18-032971

Date/Time Occurred: 04/13/2018 1645 hours

Type of Incident: Domestic Violence/ Vehicle Pursuit
Arrest

Location: Ave 328/ Rd 127

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Tompkins, Keith
2. Gomes, Nicole
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Yes
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Details: On 04/13/2018 at 1645 hours, VPD's Special Enforcement Unit (SEU) was actively looking for Keith Tompkins, who was wanted for several felonies including stalking, spousal abuse, criminal threats, and a parole violation. An SEU officer spotted him at Ave 328/ Rd 127 driving in a vehicle. The officer attempted a traffic stop on him, but Tompkins failed to yield and a pursuit was initiated. After a 4 minute pursuit, Tompkins drove his vehicle into an orchard near Ave 328/ Rd 144 where the officers lost sight of him. Soon after officers located his vehicle abandoned in the orchard. Tompkins was then observed a 1/2 mile away on Ave 148 being picked up in a vehicle driven by Nicole Gomes. The officers were able to take Tompkins and Gomes into custody without further incident. Tompkins was booked at the Tulare County Jail for the above-mentioned charges as well as felony pursuit and resisting arrest. Gomes was booked at the Tulare County Jail for aiding a fleeing felon.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: SEU

Supervisor: Sgt Randy Lentzner

